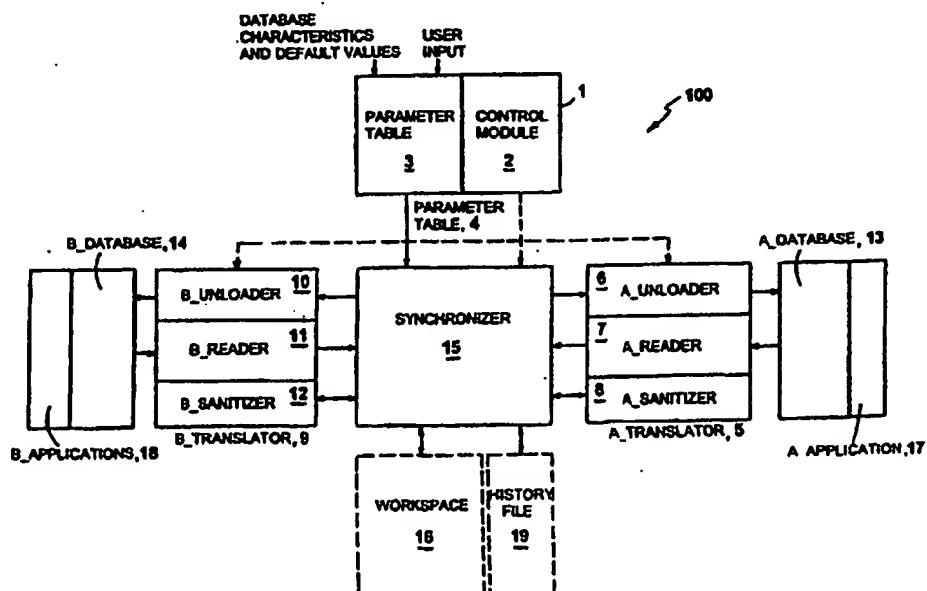




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(57) Abstract

A computer implemented method and a computer program for synchronizing a first (13) and a second database (14), where data is provided for keeping track of whether the records of the first database have been added or changed since a previous synchronization. Based on the data reflecting whether the records of the first database have been added or changed since a previous synchronization, it is determined whether the records of the first database have been changed or added since the previous synchronization. The representative record is stored in a history file (19) which contains records reflecting the contents of records of the databases at the time of a previous synchronization.